LOCAL MISCELLANY.

AN ATTRACTIVE SILVER EXHIBIT.

ARTISTIC WORK IN SILVER DISPLAYED BY GORHAM. By invitation of Gorham & Co. a large number of ladles and gentlemen inspected yesterday the Centennial Silver Exhibit now shown in their retail establish ment at No. 37 Union-square. The firm has added to the articles sent to Philadelphia a large number of silver pieces more recently manufactured, and the display is varied and complete. The most conspicuous article the exhibit, and the one which yesterday attracted the most attention, is the solid silver Century Vase, which was fully described when it was at Philadelphia. This vase, in size, design and workmanship, is considered to be unique. In its decoration designs have been employed which it is said have never hitherto been attempted solid silver. In a considerable of the exhibit the prevailing taste for Oriental styles has been followed, and numerous ancient models have been faithfully reproduced in the designs, to which conscien tious workmanship has given a finished elegance which was generally admired yesterday. The most important set in the establishment is the Dowager set of 96 pieces, costing \$5,000, and comprising, it would seem, every dish which could be placed on the most luxurious table. The pieces are spiendid specimens of artistic work in silver. The most noteworthy objects in the exhibit are those which show some peculiarity of ornamentation or finish. Among these a pair of small Russian vases, inlaid with steel by the Niello process; a pocket flask with gold nottling resembling the spots on a trout, and a tea service, with Queen Anne chasing of flowers and leaves, are very attractive. There is also a beautiful vase, with a broad gold band, around which runs an exquisitely delicate silver vinc. An Indian vase, with a peacock's feather on the side, so deceptively perfect that the down seems almost to flutter as one breathes on it, merits notice. "Hiawatha's Bark," an elaborate center piece, purchased, at Mrs. Grant's selection, for the White flouse, was closely examined yesterday and greatly admired. The repoussé work in the collection is regarded as especially artistic and admirable. There is a representation of Chaucer's Sire Ohphant, "A Perilons Man of Ogog," remarkable for the excellence of the foreshortening, and a head of Dickens in which the waving hair and beard are finely executed. The varied and attractive novelties of form and decoration were yesterday exam ined with peculiar interest, as possibly destined to change the fashion in many articles of silverware. Those de signs which were in imitation of old Japanese, Indian, and Persian models were warmly commended. The new vaults of Gorham & Co. were also, open to examination. They are considered to be absolutely fire-proof, and the firm are prepared to store and moure all valuable articles

SEARCH AFTER ILLICIT WHISKY. EFFORTS OF THE POLICE FRUITLESS-THE SPIRITS SUPPOSED TO BE CONCEALED IN NEW-JERSEY.

Capt. Washburn of the Thirty-seventh Street Police stated yesterday that all the indications pointed toward New-Jersey as the probable hiding place of the 44 barrels of spirits captured from the United States officials on Saturday night. United States Revenue Agent McLean was in charge of the men who prosecuted the search on Monday. The evidence of the connection between Roche's building and the still was not such as would be convincing to a jury. It was therefore necessary to fire up the furnace and thus determine beyond a doubt the source of the steam So many different stories were told in power. So many discrete stories are that regard to the carrying off of the spirits on Saturday night that Capt. Washburn made a thorough investigation of the matter. Policemen Gaylord and Me-Connon stated that they were called into Roche's building by the United States officers who had been left in charge of the premises and were told that a gang of men were attempting to force the windows in the rear. As seen as the two policemen were justed the building they were locked in. The time that they were held prisoners both policemen stated positively did prisoners both policemen stated positively un-not exceed 20 minutes. Mack, one of the keepers, who had been thrown on his back a d menaced with a knife during that time, was ready to swear that it was over an hour. Capt. Washurn nevertheless credited the statements of his officers and nevertheless credited the statements of his officers and believed that the gang had three or four wagons ready. These they backed into the yard and loaded very quickly. The spirits were probably transferred to a vessel in the North River, which sailed immediately to a place of safety. Capt. Washburn said that he worked all night endeavoring to trace a loaded wagon in the light snow. There were no ruts to show that the wagens turned out of Forty-first-st., and this strengthened the captain's belief that the goods were placed on board a vessel at this itree!

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The revenue officers, under United States Deputy Marshal Newcombe, were still in charge of the distillery yesterday. The men were employed in taking down the tubs, vats, and machinery, and preparing everything of any-value for transportation to the United States store-house, where the articles are to be sold by auction. Capt. Washburn of the Thirty-seventh-st. police s.nt Roundsman Cormack and two policemen to the tenements, cellars, and low saloons in in the precinct early yesterday morning to endeavor to arrest the assailants of the revenue officers on Saturday night, but Shaw, who accompanied them, was unable to identify any one. Capt. Washburn will continue the scarch until some of the men wanted are arrested. Both the police and the revenue officials believe that the 44 barrels of spirits carried away on Saturday night have been hidden somewhere in New-Jersey, and they hope that some of the different parties may find them.

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the New-York Colonization Society was held yesterday after noon, at the Bible House, with the Rev. Dr. Alexander in the chair. R. A. Sperman, who went to Liberia from Sa vanuah in 1856, and is engaged in the mercantile business in the District of Monrovia, gave an account of the Government of Liberia and the means of religious and secular education of the people. The Government, for its support, levies a tax of one-half per cent on the property, which is not rated high. The settlements extend along the coast from Cape Mount, 40 miles north of Monrovia, to Cape Palmas—a distance of 300 miles. The Government supports a public school in each settlement. The people are industrious, and instead of importing all the sugar and coffee consumed, as was the case a few years ago, there is a large exportation of coffee, sugar, arrow-root, ivory, &c. He said there was more English enterprise in the commerce than American, owing to the facilities in communication. A line of English steamers comminicate with Monrovia once a week, and returns can be obtained from Europe in six weeks after goods are shipped. He spoke of the reputed English loan of \$500,000 to Liberta, saying that not more than \$22,000 in money had been received, and about \$40,000 in merchandise, which was rated 40 per cent higher than the merchants paid, consequently this was a loss to the Government. Further than this, none of the loan had been received. A report from the secretary was read, showing that the past year had exceeded even the previous in its trying test of the stability of the great benevolent organizations for the promotion of phianthropy and Christian evangelization. The report also referred to the recent political couplications, calting that whatever their results, they would be regarded by the more intelligent and enterprising colored people in all the States as an index finger pointing to the fact that the white tom's amotion gives them no promise of real advancement, except on the continent given by Providence to their race. The report concluded by referring to the report of the Centennial Commissioners that the Liberian coffee was superior to that of any country represented at the International Exposition. communicate with Monrovia once a week, and returns can

THE CITY DEBT.

ITS STEADY INCREASE FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS, Controller Green yesterday issued the following comparative statement of the city debt on Dec. 31, 1875, and on Nov. 30, 1876:

Dec. 31, 1875. Nov. 30, 1876. Funded debt, payable from taxation and sinking fund \$119,056,903 54 \$119,375,313 28

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.... \$116,773,724 09 \$124,706,247 72 Balance ... In a pamphlet issued by the Council of Political Reform in 1875, showing the debt and taxes of this city from 1800 to 1874, the city debt during Controller Green's

term of office is put in the figures following:

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The collection of taxes on real and personal estates for the present year will reduce this total amount to less than \$120,000.000 by Dec. 31. The numerous street improvements and other public works, authorized by the Common Council recently, will swell the issue of bonds next year and largely increase the permanent debt of

STATE BOARD OF CHARITIES.

The State Board of Charities met yesterday morning at the Fifth Avenue Hotel. Commis-Pruyn, Leichworth, Roosevelt, Dunn, Hogut, and Mrs. J. L. Lowell were present. J. V. L. Pruyn occupied the chair, and Charles S. Hoyt of Albany acted as Secretary. Accounts of several State almshouses were read and referred for examination. Mesers. De Forest and Lynch, Commissioners of Emigration, made a statement to the board in regard to immigration and the case of immigrants, and presented a bill now pending before Con-Treasurer, Char gress for the regulation of emigration, in the matter of Matthew Fagan. grants, and presented a bill now pending before Con-

collecting head-money from emigrants, the general principles of which were approved by the board on motion of Commissioner Roosevelt. It was resolved to ask a report in writing from Commissioners Foster and a report in writing from Commissioners Foster and Anderson, appointed to examine the State Insane asylums, the same to be incorporated in the next annual report of the board. Commissioner Letchworth reported that the children in the Children's Fold, at No. 157 East State Children's Fold Children

HOME NEWS.

THERMOMETER YESTERDAY AT HUDNUTS, IN BROADWAY. 9 a. m., 27°. Noon, 35°. 3 n. m., 38°. Midnight, 28°. Highest curing the day, 38°. Lowest, 24°. Average, 30°. Same day, 1875, 34°s°.

PROMINENT ARRIVALS.

NEW-YORK CITY.

About 10 p. m. on Monday, while August White, a well-known newsdealer, was sitting in conversa-tion with his wife, in their house, at 1/0, 726 Broadway, his hearty laugh over some joke saddenly changed to a look of arony, and he sank to the floor dead.

A large number of arrivals are registered at the Post-Office, City Hall, and the public fibraries. These guestifuever give their names; they are degenerate specimens of Edward Everett Hale's "Children of the Public," who surround the warm registers.

The Board of Directors of the New-York and A Fair in aid of the Home for the Destitute

Blind was yesterday opened at Republican Hall, and drew a large concourse of hades interested in the charity, which was established eight years ago by the Rev. Eastburn Benjamin. The festival will continuing days. During the Centennial season, from May 10

o Nov. 10, the Pennsylvania Rahroad carried ,500,000 passengers on 32,542 trains. The large tess on a single day was on Oct. 24, when 48,700 per perc transported over the road and \$58,000 received. Robert Cunningham was arrested last night Robert Cunningnam was arrested mas ingared taken to the Fourieenth Precinct Station-house on implant of Louis Schiesinger of No. 145 Bowery, tho marged him with attempting to pass a counterfeit \$20 easury note. The poince could not satisfy themselves is might whether or not the note was fraudulent, and eld Cunningnam to await further investigation.

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Herical Dec. 2, 1873; Cerebro Week Ty. Ty. Scar. spinal Meas. Diphending phus, phod, let. meningitis. les. therta. Nov. 25. 1 13 50 8 4 55 Dec. 2... 0 10 43 4 7 44 Dec. 2.... 0 10 43 4 7 44

The branch of the Young Men's Christian Association at No. 134 Bowery provided during the past year 9.000 free lodgings and supplied 166,229 meals. The probabilities are that this Winter, while the demand will be greater, there will not be as many free needs furnished. In connection with the above work a cooperative labor bureau is added, by which during last year 1,758 situations were obtained for those out of employ-

Ment.

About five months ago Thomas Hussey of Hunter's Point was held in \$1,000 ball to appear for trial for a felonious assault committed by him unon Charles Moore, a liquor dealer in Thirty-fourth-sit. The case being ready for trial, Hussey has threatened Moore, if the latter appears and testifies against him, he will run away. This came to the ears of Patrick Craig, who had become Hussey's bondsman, and yesterilay morning the latter was arrested at the instance of Craig, by Detective Reilly of the Central Office, and locked up.

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Officer Sullivan of the Steamboat Squad
vesterday arrested George Armstrong at Pier No. 20,
East River, while practicing the "confidence game,"
He had not succeeded in fleecing any one, but the officer
thought it best to arrest nim and prevent all risk. The
man is one of those characters who bang around steamboat wharves, and endeavor to inveigle travelers into
low gambling-houses. He is an old offender, and Armstrong is an assumed name.

The mortuary record for the month of No-The mortuary record for the month of No-cember, as reported at the meeting of the Health Board vesterday, is as follows: During the month of November deaths were reported from measles, 71 from scarlatina, 01 from diphtheria, 41 from membraneous group, 22 rom whooping cough, 17 from makrial lever, and 12 rom cerebro-spinal fever. Of the total 161 were re-sorted in tenement houses, 98 in houses c attaining three applies and less, 4 in hotels and boarding-houses, and 8 in fustivations.

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COUNTATION SOCIETY.

The effects of Carl Bergman, the composer, and late conductor of the Philharmonic and other musi-cal societies, will be sold this morning at public anetion, at No. 149 East Fourteenth-st. They consist of 298 lors of music and a few household goods. The music commsic and a few household goods. The masse coest he scores of many overtures, symplondes, &c., thoven, Mozart, Meyerbeer, Wagner, and other d Beethoven, and a number of original works by Bergina himself. The handsone silver baton, the cift to the deceased from Edwin Booth, as well as a watch and a fet trifles redeemed from a pawabroker by some kin friends, will be sent to relatives in Europe.

A division has taken place in the St. A division has taken place in the St Matthew's Church German Ladies' Society for the Relie of Poor Widows and Orphans. Mrs. Oswald Ottendorfer the president, together with the secretary and treatmer and a large number of lady members, met yesterday i Steinway's small hall. Other members of the societ met at the former place of meeting, in the basement of the church. Those who met at Steinway's gave the Church Council notice last March that another place must be provided in which they could hold their meetings, the room under the church being too small. A refusal on the part of the Church Council to do this cause the division. Mrs. Ottendorfer and those with her prefess themselves willing to return to the church if projectly accommodated.

BROOKLYN.

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Dr. Wilson Tucker, a well-known physician, died of consumption on Monday night at his residence, No. 30 Lafayette-ave. No. 30 Lafayette-ave.

A meeting of the Law Committee of the Board of Supervisors was held yesterday, at which the bond of Commissioner Midas was approved.

The Board of Estimate yesterday apportioned the excise moneys on hand, amounting to \$6,5.4, among a number of the charitable institutions of the

Nothing has yet been heard from George W. Ketcham, the young man who disappeared so suddenly on Nov.17, from his home at No.244 Dean-st. His friends are confident that he has committed suicide, and the police entertain little hope of his recovery.

The Police Commissioners have determined to reprimand the entire Twelfth Precinct, in the command of Capt. Kalser, on account of the bad behavior and negligence of the officers. T members of this presenct are frequently brought before the board for ill

A young colored prisoner named Francis Wis-A young colored prisoner indicts rates are levy contined in the Kaymond Street Jail for vagrancy, on Monday afternoon climbed over the fence of the yard, in which he was allowed to walk, and escaped. At night he applied at the first Precinct for lodgings, was identified, and taken back to his cell.

Yesterday Policeman Thomas H. Collins appeared in the Court of Sessions to tearly that fall satisfaction had been received for all injuries inflicted upon him by Robert or "Crow" Murray. The latter was about to be sentenced by Judge Moore, but this testimony will, it is stated, act as a bur to the sentence.

At a meeting of the Board of Education At a flicting of the board of Education yesterday the majority of the Committee on Studies reported against the introduction of German into the public schools. A minority report in favor of the project was received, and the matter was laid over for a special session next Tuesday. The Committee on Truancy reported 517 fruants in the schools during the month of November. The will of Friedrich Rose of No. 300 Union-

st., admitted to probate by Surrogate Veeder yesterday, contains this curious chanse: "Since I believe that married life is best for mankind, I beg my dear wife to try not to be hindered by any false romantic ideas from remarriage after my death, if she finds a man worthy of ber, and request her to sevent as a wedding gift from me, her first husband, who leaves her more than he can express in words, the sum of \$10,000, to hold and own forever." In January last Mrs. Ellen Kane was seri-

In January last Mrs. Ellen Kane was setting on a Flushing-ously injured by a fail as she was getting on a Flushing-ave, horse-car at Fulton Ferry. She brought action against the Brooklyn City Rallroad Company for dam-ages and recovered \$2,700. On Monday her husband, George Kane, brought another sult in the City Court, be-fore Judge Reynolds, for \$10,000, the estimated damages for the loss of his wife's services on account of the in-juries received by the accident. Yesterday the jury brought in a verdict of \$3,500 for the plaintiff.

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The new Republican General Committee of Kings County held a meeting last evening at their head-quarters and chose the following officers for 1877: President, David Williams; First Vice-President, John H. Taylor; Second Vice-President, E. R. Kennedy; Third Vice-President, William J. Ospecy; Recording Secretary, Oliver C. Pateracı; Assistant Recording Secretary, William H. Whitlock; Corresponding Secretary, Edmund H. Hobbs; Treasurer, Charles W. Cheshire; Sergeant-at-Arms, Matthew Fagan.

POSTSCRIPT.

3:30 a. m.

THE BROOKLYN FIRE.

INCIDENTS OF THE DISASTER. Upon all the surrounding streets were gathered little knots of people eagerly discussing the incidents of the fire. Many were relating their personal experiences and the hair-breadth escapes which they had effected in the wild rush from the upper gallery. From the scene of frantic tumult described by witnesses, it is a great wonder that half the audience succeeded in escaping uninjured. One very self-possessed young man who had a seat in the fourth row from the orchestra, said that just as Madame Frochard was descending the flight of rickety stairs in the old house or the Seine, after locking Louise in the room, a burning fly fell upon the stage and blazed up fitfully. The large audience arose as one person, and, panicstricken, rushed in the wildest confusion for the doors. He said that hardly had he fully realized the nature of the calamity when the stage was deserted, and every one around him was pressing toward the entrance. It was like the rout of an army, and each one for himself seemed to be the only thought of nearly all in the struggling throng. It is pleasant to record, however, that many instances of true manliness and courage were exhibited. This gentleman said that before he had advanced ten feet a lady immediately in front of him fainted from fright and dropped into his arms; after that he knew not how he succeeded in reaching the street. It was a fierce fight for existence, and when he emerged from the blinding smoke and the fierce heat of the theater into the fresh night air he found that he still bore his fair burden. She was taken in charge by a watchful policeman and conveyed to the earest police station, and he saw her no more Incidents such as these formed the staple of conversation upon the street, and were rehearsed by narrators to each new comer who wished to learn the minutest details of the great fire.

A gentleman who was in the theater when the first indication of the fire was apparent from the front said that a small burning corner of the flys dropped upon the stage and alarmed the audience Several of the gentlement present comprehended that a terrible disaster was threatening, and appreciated the fact that much might be done by coolness and presence of mind. They nunseled everybody to be quiet until the real state of the case could be ascertained. The occupants of the galleries had already taken the alarm and were rushing out as rapidly as possible through both the broad entrances upon Washington and Johnion-sts. Some of the company ran from the stage entrance down Theater-alley past the Past-Office into Myrtle-ave., and others sprang into the auditorium and fled out to Washington-st. In the passage-ways the rush began and became so terrible that for a few moments panic prevailed unchecked.

After the crowd got away the police gained access to the scene. Some idea may be gained of the pressure of the rushing crowd by the fact that the police found a large quantity of clothing of every description that had been torn from people during the struggle to escape. Some had their boots stripped from their feet; ladies lost their muils, scarfs, collars, cuffs, and bonnets; gentlemen were deprived of nats, canes, and even their coats. The crowd was hardly clear of the blazing theoter before the flames enveloped the whole interior of the building.

One man whose escape had been cut off appeared at a window for a moment, stretched out his arms as if entreating help, and, springing into the air to scape the flames that scorched him, fell with a dull thud to the pavement below. He was taken up un-

onscious and sent to the Long Island Hospital. Police Capt, Smith ordered his men to take every one that was found to be injured to the police sta tion, and in the next two hours five were carried there. Three were sent to the hospital and two were taken home at their own request. The police well as many of the citizens who had witnessed the progress of the fire were bardly able to regard it as possible that everybody could have got out of the building. It is feared that the search of the ruins by day light may show that several persons were suffocated or burned to death.

"The building was admirably constructed to meet such an emergency," said one gentleman. "There can be no doubt that if nobody was caught in that fire it is due to the ample means of exit and the coolness of Miss Claxton and several gentlemen in the audience. So far as known at present, more persons were injured by the panie created in the passageways and the rush that followed than by any other means. If this panic had been raised in the interio of the theater, many lives must have been lost and

One of the members of the company said that when the fire started in the middle of the last act of the play Miss Claxton, in the dress of a beggar girl, was in front, going on with the play as rapidly as possible on account of the lateness of the hour. The majority of the company were in the wings waiting for their cures to make their appearance in front at the proper time. Some hody cried, "Great Havens, see there! That middle fly has caught from the gas jet." Everybody shrank back and turned their faces toward the danger indicated. A voice cried, "Keep cool and we shall get away all right." As the flames leaped from fly to fly, all being dry as tinder, the whole upper portion of the stage part of the theater was filled with fire, it seemed in a moment. Some members of the company started to get their clothing, but a more prudent person, who preserved his presence of mind, stopped them at the doors, and urged all to fly without delay. Nobody saved anything, but all were glad to escape with their lives. A short time afterward Theater Alley was a mass of flames, cutting off all approach to the stage entrance. The furniture, carpets, and other articles were quickly removed from Dieter's restaurant, which adjoins the theater building, but the flames did not gain much headway in that direction, and the loss is only by water. The Fire Department labored hard and successfully to save the buildings on the other side of Johnson-st., opposite the theater. Five or six of thme on fire at one time, their whole fronts blazing, The building adjoining the theater on the same side of Johnson-st, was badly damaged, and a large portion of the furniture was destroyed. This building was owned by three maiden ladies until about a month ago. Then it was sold by anction by J. Johnson of this city for \$8,500. The present occupants had been there only a few weeks. The property was not insured.

STATEMENT BY WILLIAM C. KINGSLEY. William C. Kingsley stated that this theater wa erected in 1870 by Kingsley, Keeney & McCue at a cost of \$180,000. The owners obtained an act of incorporation as the Brooklyn Building Company, but the three persons before mentioned owned all the stock in the property except about \$12,000. This was divided among various persons in small amounts of \$500 and \$1,000 each. Kingsley added that the lot on which the theater was built also is owned by the same company. The building was a total loss. The property was insured for \$10,000, the risks being placed in various companies, only a few of which were in Brooklyn. It was impossible to give the names of the insurance companies until a later hour, because he could not tell these facts until after he had referred to his books. He had not known for how much this property was insured until he was told of the amount by his bookkeeper.

It was intended to give Brooklyn a first-class theater in every respect, Mr. Kingsley continued, when this building was erected. The walls were formed of several courses of brick, and on all sides were raised so high as to form a complete protection for the theater in case any of the adjoining buildings caught fire. It was mainly on this account that the firemen were enabled to confine the flames to the theater building and the wooden and brick structarches and columns, so that no very large portion of Highest Award at the Centennial Exhibition. ure just below. The inner walls were supported by

the structure fell at once. It crumbled, and thus no damage was done by the falling bricks or mortar. The theater was first leased to Mrs. Conway, who pecupied it successfully for several seasons. A considerable portion of the scenery had become very dry from its age and almost like tinder. The building, at the time of the fire, was leased by Palmer & Shook of the Union Square Theater. The play of the "Two Orphaus" was being enacted when the fire started. One of the flys caught fire a gas jet, and in a moment the whole top of the interior of the stage section was in a blaze. Kate Claxton, in this scene, was lying on a couch in her dress of rags, as one of the poor orphans. When she saw the mass of flame above her she coolly got up, and, coming to the front, calmed the excited audience by her own exhibition of self-possession [For Principal Events of the Fire, see First Page.]

POLITICAL NEWS.

OREGON ELECTORAL DISPUTE. ARGUMENTS BEFORE THE GOVERNOR-A CERTIFICATE NEITHER TO WATTS NOR CRONIN.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 5 .- A Portland press dispatch states that the argument in the Watts case was ened at Salem this morning before Gov. Grover, upon the protest filed by Senator Kelly and others against the issuance of a certificate to the alleged disqualified elector. Odell, one of the Republican electors, said the electors did not wish to argue the case, but would file a counter-protest. Mr. Keily then read the protest filed by him Dec. 2, with the accompanying affidavits. Mr. Odell read a long counter-protest, setting forth the facts and the law applicable to the case, signed by the Republican electors. Mr. Keily then argued the issue at length, taking the ground that Watts was ineligible at the time of the election, and the person receiving the next highest number of votes was entitled to the certificate. He cited various cases in support of his position. Several prominent Democratic lawyers followed him. Appearances indicate that the argument will not be closed in time for a decision of the question before the casting of the electoral vote to-morrow. It is generally conceded by the Republicans that the Governor will not issue certificates to either Watts or Cronin. Intense interest is centered on the action of the Governor. electors did not wish to argue the case, but would file a

MINNESOTA'S ELECTORS.

St. Paul, Minn., Dec. 5.-The electors elect for Minnesota met in the State Capitol at noon to-day, received their certificates from the Governor, took the oath of office, and adjourned until 12, noon, to-morrow, when they will proceed to cast their ballots for Hayes and Wheeler.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Dec. 5 .- At the charter election in this city to-day, H. G. Enstman (Rep.) was elected Mayer, and three Republican Aldermen were also elected. The Common Council will stand 7 Republi-can and 5 Democratic; it formerly stood 8 Democrats to

SPEINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 5 .- In this city today Mayor Wright was redlected, and a Republican City Council elected on the issue of economy. Holyoke elects R. P. Crafts for Mayor, and essentially a Democratic city government on a party fight.

A colored man in San Diego, Cal., was challenged at the polls on the ground that he was not a resident of the county. "I'se been in disyer town lore decrush was cut off," he exclaimed, and he voted.

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INSURANCE DEPARTMENT. ALBANY, November 13, 1876.

I. WILLIAM SMYTH, Acting Superintendent of the Insuran Department of the State of New-York, deeming it expedient so to do, do hereby, in pursuance of the power vested in me, by Section 17 of Chapter 163 of the Laws of this State, passed June 24, 1853, appoint Hon. JOHN A. McCALL, JR., and SEY MOUR M. BALLARD, ESQ., of the City of Albany, as proper perone to examine into the affairs of the United States Life Inurance Company of New-York, and to make a full report to me in writing of the true condition of the affairs of said Company, with a full statement of its Capital, Securities and Assets, showing the amount and kind of each, and how the same a invested, including the amount of said Company's liabilities, absolute and contingent, with such other information as they shall deem requisite to furnish me a perfect statement of the condition of its affairs and of the manner of conducting it

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my official seal, at the City of Albany, the day and WM. SMYTH, year first above written. Acting Superintendent.

ALBANY, Nov. 27, 1876.

To the Hon. WM. SMYTH, Acting Supt. N. Y. Int. Dept.

Pursuant to your appointment, No. 360, bearing date Nov. 13, 1876, the undersigned, your commissioners, respectfully report that since the date of your commission they have been engaged at the office of the United States Life Insurance Company of New-York City in making an examination of the condition and affairs of said Company; that at the date of this report we have concluded a most thorough and exhaustive investigation of the securities, books, and papers of said institution, the result of which, showing the Company's condition on Nov. 1, 1876, is given below.

We further report that every facility was given your exam ners to make their researches full and complete, and the officers of the Company are deserving of your commendation

Complete schedules, giving each premium loan and uncol lected and deferred premiums scriatim, are now on file in this Department; together with a record of every policy in force. Morigage Lists, giving each Mortgage, with date and page of record, together with detailed lists of all other Assets, are also

I. ASSETS.

STOCKS AND BONDS OWNED. Par Value, Market Value, U. S. Registered \$137,350 \$158,208 69 N. Y. City Registered 508,000 540,675 00 Brooklyn Registered 213,000 226,780 00 Kings County Cou-52,850 00 Buffalo City Coupon Bonds...... Eric County Coupon 149,045 83 140,000 25,000 25,583 33 Eastchester, N. Y., Coupon Bonds... 16,000 16,280 03 6 Dichmond County Y., Ronds. Chicago City Jonds. 50,500 00 Conn. Water Loan. 100,000 104,000 00 77,140 00 ist, of Columbia 150,000 105,000 00\$1,470,830 \$1,515,625 35 1,515,625 35 COLLATERAL LOANS.

Par	Market	Amount	
Value,	Value.	Loaned.	
Bonda and Mort-			
gages 50,000	50,000	30,000	
U. S. Bonds 10,000	11,600	10,000	
Dime Savings			
Bank Stock 3,000	3,000	1,500	
U. S. Bonds / 1,000	1,130	900	
Rochester City			
Bonds 50,000	50,000	10,000	
Totals	\$113,730	\$52,400	\$52,4
	-	\$473 02	
Cash in Office			
Cash in Bank, per Certifica	tes	9,000 23	104.462
Total Cash Hems Premium Notes and Loans on Policies in Force. Net Uncollected and Deferred Premiums. Accrued Interest on Bonds and Mortgages Accrued Interest on Premium Notes and Loans.			172,744
			115,490
			70,735
			6,234
Accrued Interest on Premiu	m Notes an	in Louise.	0,501
Total admitted Assets			\$1,759,403
. Items not admitte	d as Ava	ilable A	ssets.
Agents' balances			\$18,839
Bills Receivable			
Total			\$27,534
Agggregate Total Asset			

II. LIABILITIES. Net present value of all the outstanding policies

in force on the 31st day of October, 1876, con puted by the Insurance Department, as ing to the American Experience Table of Mor ...\$3,846,827.00 posed claims 6,829 22 anid policies can be restored on application 11,009 00 Total Liabilities\$3,990,095 22

III. MISCELLANEOUS. Surplus as regards policy holders on the basis of

admitted assets. Surplus as regards policy he'ders on the basis of 250,000 00 Capital Scrip..... JOHN A. MCCALL, JR., S. M. BALLARD, Commis INSURANCE DEPARTMENT,

ALBANT, December 4, 1876. I, WILLIAM SMYTH, Acting Superintendent of the Insurance

Department of the State of New-York, do hereby certify that I have compared the annexed copy of Appointment and Report of Commissioners on examination of United States Life Insurance Company of New-York with the original on file in this Department, and that the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of said original. (Schedules excopted.) In witness whereof, I have hereunte set my hand and affixed

my official seal, at the City of Albany, this 4th day of Decem-WM. SMYTH, ber, 1876. Acting Superintendent

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